

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE FINANCE**

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

The Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) announces a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for grant funds pursuant to the authority established by the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Support Act of 2018, Title V, Subtitle G, Section 5062 to make grant funds available to facilitate:

- 1) The development of a community resource inventory (CRI) consisting of:
 - a. screening tools of selected social determinants; and
 - b. contact information on federal, District, and community resources available to address resident's social needs; and
- 2) The design of a technical infrastructure solution for a web-based bi-directional non-proprietary community resource inventory platform. This solution should have the capability to screen for selected social determinants of health and refer residents to appropriate services.

The Director of DHCF has authority to issue grants under the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007, effective February 27, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-109; D.C. Official Code 7-771.05(4) (2012 Repl.).

A Request for Applications (RFA) for the below opportunity will be released under a separate announcement with guidelines for submitting the application, review criteria, and DHCF terms and conditions for applying for and receiving funding. The anticipated performance period for these grants is February 4th, 2018 to September 30th, 2019.

Descriptions of Opportunities:

Community Resource Inventory Needs Assessment and Design Grant: One (1) grant no more than \$500,000 will be awarded to develop a CRI, including screening tools for selected social determinant of health domains and available community resources to address social needs.

In addition to the development of the CRI, the applicant must design, but not develop, the technical infrastructure solution for the web-based bi-directional non-proprietary platform through a comprehensive needs assessment and technical requirements gathering process. This platform should enable the ability to screen individuals for selected social determinants of health, and refer residents to appropriate federal, District, and community resources to address their health care and social needs.

The program shall include five components: 1) activities to engage and seek feedback from the relevant stakeholder community; 2) strategic planning to identify priorities and functionalities of the CRI and the technical infrastructure including an assessment of existing provider workflows; 3) identification, collection and organization of selected screening tools; 4) identification, collection and organization of sources of care needed to populate the CRI; and 5) completion of a

structured technical requirements gathering process inform the design of the technical infrastructure platform.

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must have a demonstrated record, experience working with groups and/or delivering work related to the following tasks:

- Conducting interviews, focus groups and environmental scans;
- Compiling, organizing and documenting information on health and social service resources into an inventory;
- Consolidating and presenting findings; and
- Assessing and documenting provider processes and workflows.

Applicants should also have an understanding of Health information technology (Health IT) such as Electronic Health Record (EHR) platforms, and health information exchange infrastructure. All applicants must also be registered organization in good standing with the DC Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA), Corporation Division, the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR), the Department of Employment Services (DOES), and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), and demonstrate Clean Hands certification at the time of application.

A RFA will be released on or around December 28th, 2018. The RFA package will be available online at <http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse> and the DHCF website. Hard copies of the RFA package may be obtained at DHCF, 441 4th St. N.W., Ste 900S, Washington, D.C. 20001, 9th floor reception desk daily from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. All eligible applications are reviewed through a competitive process.

DHCF will hold a pre-proposal conference on January 8, 2019 at 1:00 PM at 441 4th St. Conference Room 1028 Prospective applicants must provide an email address to DHCF to receive notification of amendments or clarifications to the RFA.

Completed applications must be received on or before 4:00 p.m. Eastern on January 28th 2019. Applications must be submitted in hard copy and in-person at DHCF, 441 4th St. N.W., Ste 900S, Washington, D.C. 20001, 9th floor reception desk. No applications will be accepted after the submission deadline.

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